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Details of distance-wise call pulse rates prescribed on the residential phones

1. Pulses for Local Calls

From	To	Pulse in Seconds
Land-line, including WLL (Fixed)	Land-line, including WLL (Fixed)	180
	WLL(M)	90
	Cellular	
	*where POI are not working	30
	*where POI are working	60

2. STD Pulse Rate : (Basic to Basic)

Distance-slabs	Intra-circle calls Pulses in seconds		Inter-circle calls Pulses in seconds	
	Peak-timing	Off-peak timing	Peak-timing	Off-peak timing
0-50 kms	180 Sec.	180 Sec.	90 Sec.	90 Sec.
50-100 kms	60 Sec.	60 Sec.	30 Sec.	30 Sec.
100-200 kms	30 Sec.	30 Sec.	30 Sec.	30 Sec.
200-500 kms	30 Sec.	30 Sec.	15 Sec.	30 Sec.
>500 kms	30 Sec.	30 Sec.	15 Sec.	15 Sec.

Peak timing are from 0900 to 2200 hours.

Off-peak timings are from 2200 to 0900 hours.

Retirement benefits to employees

†2564. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. Is offering pension and gratuity on the pay scales of IDA/CDA to the employees retired since October, 2000;

(b) if so, whether the retirement benefit to employees/officers would be paid by Government or by Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd; and

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(c) the detailed outlines of retirement benefit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The retirement benefits to employees/officers would be paid by the Government.

(c) the following are the details of retirement benefits:

(1) Pension/Family Pension (2) Death-cum Retirement Gratuity (3) Commutation value to pension (4) Central Govt. Employees Group Insurance Scheme (5) Leave Encashment.

VRS in BSNL/MTNL

†2565. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are going to introduce VRS for employees and officers working in Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when, this scheme is likely to be introduced and the outlines thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) BSNL has no plans for giving VRS to it employees. However, MTNL has formulated a VRS for its Group "C" & "D" employees.

(b) The scheme formulated by MTNL has the following features:

(i) It is applicable to Permanent/regular group "C" & "D" employees of MTNL who have completed 40 years of age and 15 years of service in the the company (including the service rendered by them in DOT).

(ii) Compensation offered is equivalent to 60 days salary for each completed year of service or salary for the number of years/ month left until superannuation whichever is less.

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